

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 4-6 and 10-14 have been allowed.

Claims 1-3 and 7-9 have been finally rejected. Claims 1-3 are being canceled.

Claim 7 is being amended to include the subject matter the Examiner expressly found allowable on page 5 of the final Office Action. This amendment places claims 7-9 in allowable condition.

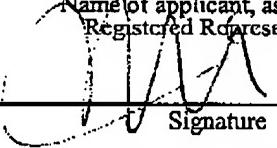
The amendment to claim 7 was discussed with the Examiner in a telephone interview on January 18, 2005.

Allowance of claims 4-14 is therefore requested.

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